

**CITY OF DELAWARE CITY
ASSESSMENT BOARD OF APPEALS &
SPECIAL MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 22, 2006**

CALL TO ORDER – ASSESSMENT BOARD OF APPEALS

The Honorable Mayor Bennett called to order the assessment board of appeals at 7:10. There were no members of the public present to discuss the property assessments. Mayor Bennett recessed the board of appeals until such time that a member of the public comes to discuss their assessment.

CALL TO ORDER – SPECIAL MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING

The Honorable Mayor Bennett called to order the special Mayor and Council meeting. Present were council members Graham, Keifer, Parets and Parker. Also present were City Manager Morrill, City Treasurer Walls and City Solicitor Losco.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council member Parets led the Council members in an invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

ACTION UPON THE TREASURER'S REPORT

City Treasurer Walls presented the April Treasurer's report. Council member Graham made a motion to approve April's report subject to audit. Council member Parker seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.

ACTION UPON THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Council member Graham made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 8, 2006, Mayor and Council meeting. Council member Parker seconded the motion. All ayes, no nays, motion passed.

APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Bennett announced that Leah Pogue has resigned from her position of City Secretary as well as Administrative Assistant for the City, effective June 16, 2006. She will be greatly missed. Council Member Parets made a motion to appoint Dawn Gwynn as City Secretary. Council member Graham seconded the motion. All ayes, motion passed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Bennett thanked the council and office staff for sending her a beautiful plant while she was hospitalized.

PRESENTATION

John Hayes of the Delaware Rural Water Association gave a presentation on source water protection plan and planning for the future of Delaware City water. City Manager Morrill gave an overview of his thoughts regarding mapping and planning wellhead areas. He recommended that a steering committee be formed to study this process and return to the Mayor and Council in the future with a draft plan and possible draft ordinance.

INTRODUCTION

Barbara Allsopp, candidate for Senate, introduced herself.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 06-0522-01

Council Member Parets made a motion to adopt Resolution 06-0522-01 “*A RESOLUTION BY WHICH DELAWARE CITY WOULD ADOPT THE INCIDENT COMMAND SYSTEM (ICS) AND THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (NIMS) PURSUANT TO HOMELAND SECURITY DIRECTIVE (HSPD)-5.*”

Council Member Keifer seconded the motion. There was a discussion. A roll call vote was taken. All ayes, motion passed.

Resolution 06-0522-02

Council Member Keifer made a motion to adopt Resolution 06-0522-02 “*A RESOLUTION PRESCRIBING THE DETAILS AND FORM AND PROVIDING FOR THE SALE BY THE CITY OF DELAWARE CITY, DELAWARE OF ITS*

\$297,300 GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND TO FINANCE THE COSTS OF A CERTAIN PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM PROJECT.”

Council Member Graham seconded the motion. There was a discussion. A roll call vote was taken. All ayes, motion passed.

Resolution 06-0522-03

Council Member Graham made a motion to adopt Resolution 06-0522-03 “*A RESOLUTION PRESCRIBING THE DETAILS AND FORM AND PROVIDING FOR THE SALE BY THE CITY OF DELAWARE CITY, DELAWARE OF ITS \$385,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND TO FINANCE THE COSTS OF A CERTAIN STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, AND AWARDING THE LOAN TO CITIZENS BANK AT A RATE NOT TO EXCEED 5.25%, WITH A BOND TO MATURE IN 15 YEARS.*”

Council Member Parets seconded the motion. There was a discussion. A roll call vote was taken. All ayes, motion passed.

Resolution 06-0522-04

Council Member Parets made a motion to adopt Resolution 06-0522-04 “*A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT FUND (CEPF) TO HELP IMPROVE ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS IN COMMUNITIES IMPACTED BY PERMIT VIOLATIONS AND SUPPORTING THE APPLICATION FOR \$1.3 MILLION IN CEPF FUNDING IN SUPPORT OF THE BRANCH CANAL PROJECT.*”

Council Member Graham seconded the motion. There was a discussion. A roll call vote was taken. All ayes, motion passed.

RECONVENE ASSESSMENT BOARD OF APPEALS

At this time the Assessment Board of Appeals was called back to order. No members of the public were present to appeal their assessment. Council member Graham made a motion to adjourn the Board of Appeals. Council Member Parets seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all ayes, motion passed. The Board of Appeals adjourned at 9:05.

RECONVENE THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING

At 9:05, the Special Meeting of the Mayor and Council was reconvened.

2007 BUDGET WORKSHOP

City Manager Morrill stated that there would be no tax increase. The tax rate of 1.09% will continue. The projected budget is \$818,000 for fiscal year 2007. He recommended that council send a letter to Valero, encouraging early payment of taxes.

Morrill also sought guidance from council regarding the application for 501C.3 status for the Delaware City Community Center, for fund raising purposes.

Council recommended that this process continue. Morrill stated that he would proceed with the budget as written. If the 501C.3 status fails, the budget can be amended.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Parker made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Graham seconded the motion. All ayes, motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn K. Gwynn

City Secretary